

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC

ORDER NO. 3215

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served August 9, 1988

Application of COURTESY )  
TRANSPORTATION SERVICES, INC., for )  
Temporary Authority )

Case No. AP-88-30

By application filed August 3, 1988, Courtesy Transportation Services, Inc. (CTS or applicant), seeks temporary authority to transport passengers in charter operations between points in the Metropolitan District pursuant to contract with the Department of Human Services, Government of the District of Columbia (DHS). \*/

The four-month contract requires applicant to transport DHS staff during routine business hours between various government facilities as needed by DHS's Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities Administration.

Applicant would use one 1988, 15-passenger vehicle for this purpose. The contract rate for the proposed service is \$28.46 an hour. Revenue from the contract is projected at \$19,753.14 with equal expenses over the same period. In its statement of immediate and urgent need applicant's president states that the service CTS proposes is based on a negotiated services contract signed July 18, 1988, after almost one year of negotiations and, to his knowledge, CTS is the only carrier ready to meet DHS's urgent need for transportation.

In support of its application, Courtesy Transportation Services, Inc., submitted a notarized statement from Mr. Ricardo Lyles, Acting Administrative Officer, Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities Administration, which described the need for employee transportation between various points in the Metropolitan District including DC Superior Court and DC General Hospital. The letter also states that the agency is under court mandate to provide case management oversight of day and residential treatment programs. In addition, under the terms of the Pratt Consent Decree of 1978, the agency has a responsibility to provide well-balanced meals to persons enrolled in specified day treatment programs. The vehicles formerly used for that purpose are now inoperable. The purpose of this contract is to assure that transportation formerly conducted by DHS will be continued by a private carrier.


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\*/ To the extent this application could be interpreted to include transportation between points solely within Virginia, it is dismissed pursuant to the Compact, Title II, Article XII, Section 1(b).

The standards for temporary authority are set forth in the Compact, Title II, Article XII, Section 4(d)(3). The essential elements are (1) an immediate and urgent need for service, (2) no carrier capable of meeting that need, and (3) fitness of the applicant. This order will provide notice of this application, and a brief time will be provided for the filing of protests. No extension of time will be granted.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that any person desiring to protest this application shall file a protest in accordance with Commission Rule No. 14 at the office of the Commission, 1625 Eye Street, N.W., Suite 316, Washington, DC 20006, no later than Friday, August 19, 1988, and shall simultaneously serve a copy of such protest on applicant's president, William Dixon, Courtesy Transportation Services, Inc., 1343 H Street, N.E., Washington, DC 20002.

FOR THE COMMISSION:

  
William H. McGilivery  
Executive Director